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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

1. This memorandum recommends action throughout.

2. I phoned Andy Berding yesterday as per your instructions and he had everything greased this morning, but nevertheless, it took some 2½ hours of checking your speech before State would release its comments. Mr. Hugh Cumming participated.

3. On Page 16 where the Defense Department objected to "Cultural groups," State Department suggests that the entire first sentence be deleted and the following be substituted:

"Today the Soviet Government has seen fit to provide the world with a greater quantity of general information regarding the USSR."

4. The second sentence on Page 16, so much as reads "their peacetime economy" should be changed so as to read

"Soviet peacetime economy."

5. Page 18, last line, add a sentence as follows:

"Even after these announced reductions, however, we should not forget that the Soviets would retain a formidable balanced military establishment, in no way wholly dependent on their missile strength."

6. Page 19, line 3 from the bottom, the preposition "Over" probably should be "in" so that it would read "in the immediate future."

7. Page 22, line 1, the date Bob Amory was to furnish is still missing.

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